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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed July 18, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please add the following new claim:

-- 27. A method comprising:

compressing a source medical image by a first compression level at a first location;

transmitting the compressed medical image to a remote view station at a second location, different than said first location, for display;

decompressing said compressed medical image at said second location to form decompressed medical image information;

sending information indicative of at least a region of the medical image information to said first location;

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applying image analysis operations to a region of the source medical image corresponding to said region of the decompressed medical image at the first location; and

compressing said region of the source medical image at a second compression level at the first location as a function of the region information, wherein the second compression level results in less information loss than the first compression level.